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25X1 The following observations were made in the LEIPZIG (N 52/ E 21) area:

1. Heiterblick Flak Kaserne (capacity: about 1,200 troops) on 29 November 1949. Occupied by:

a. Motorized rifle unit, allegedly one battalion, of about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets.

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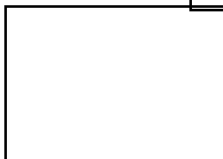
b. Tank unit of about 200 troops.

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about fifteen T34 tanks were stored in the southern garages of the kaserne.

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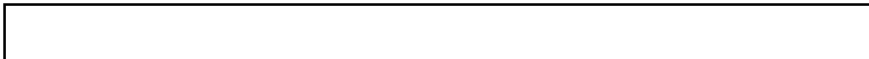
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c. Artillery unit of about 250 troops.

(1) About eight heavy field howitzers were stored in the southern garages of the kaserne.

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(3) Besides the mentioned heavy weapons, 30 to 40 trucks were in the southern garages, while the northern garages of the kaserne were allegedly vacant.

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(5) It was observed that the motor vehicle traffic from the kaserne to TAUCHA (N 52/A 31) was heavier than that to LEIPZIG. It was said that units in TAUCHA were closely connected with the units in the Heiterblick Kaserne.

2. SCHOENAU Flak Kaserne (capacity: about 1,200 troops) on 28 November 1949. Occupied by:

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a. Tank or SP artillery unit of about 300 troops. One SP gun had been seen in the northeastern kaserne section for several days before the day of observation.

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b. Guards artillery unit of about 250 troops.

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c. another artillery unit, allegedly a GH unit, of about 400 men.

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d. Other units of various branches of service totaling 300 troops.

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3. Hindenburg Kaserne (capacity: 600 to 700 troops) on Danzigerstrasse on 29 November 1949. Occupied to capacity by:

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a. Infantry unit of about 300 men wearing black-bordered red epaulets. A SCC motor pool was attached to the unit.

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b. Engineer unit of about 250 men.

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c. signal unit of about 150 troops.
No heavy weapons were seen in the kaserne area.

4. Southern section of the former German Army administration buildings on Olbrichtstrasse on 28 and 29 November 1949.

(1) Heavily occupied by transport and repair shop units of 500 to 600 troops.

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5. Former military prison in the northern section of the former German Army administration buildings on Olbrichtstrasse and Danzigerstrasse on 28 and 29 November 1949. Allegedly also used as military prison. Numerous MVD and infantry officers were observed entering and leaving the buildings.

6. Former post hospital north of Danzigerstrasse on 29 November 1949

a. Used as military hospital. Numerous soldiers of all branches of service were seen to receive treatment there.

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Comment:

The report does not indicate any essential change in the occupation of LEIPZIG. The kasernes are believed to be occupied as follows:

a. Heiterblick Flak Kaserne:
Component units of the 8th Gds Wehr Div (presumably including the 21st Gds Wehr Regt). The statement that the units in the kaserne are connected with TAUCH units is considered credible since a component unit of the 8th Gds Wehr Div is stationed there. *

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b. SCHOENAU Flak Kaserne:

- (1) Component unit of the 21st Gds Mecz Div.
- (2) Eighth Gds rmy Hq units
- (3) Artillery unit (regiment?)

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c. Hindenburg Kaserne:

Units of the GOFG or SCC. The information on the other Soviet installations in LEIPZIG agrees with previous reports.

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